24th October 1956] [Sri C. Subramaniam]

It has not been possible to get the report printed and that is why a typed copy is placed before the House. Any hon. Member who is interested in it may go through it. But meanwhile, arrangements will be made for printing the report and distributing it to all the Members.

(2) THE COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION.

SRI S. S. KOLKEBAIL : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to present the Second Report of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation for the year 1955–56.

As the Hon. Leader of the House stated in the case of the Report of the Public Accounts Committee, printed copies of the report are not ready and so, typed copies of the same are circulated to the members. I request the House to condone for not supplying printed copies.

IV.—POINT OF INFORMATION *RE* PRESIDENT'S ASSENT TO FAIR RENT BILL AND THE MALABAR TENANCY BILL.

SRI P. RAMAMURTHI : Sir, I rise on a point of information from the Government. You will remember that at the last sitting of the House we passed two Bills which we all considered as of urgent importance, viz., the Fair Rent Bill and a Bill to amend the Malabar Tenancy Act. It is nearly about 25 days since the Bill had been passed and unfortunately yet the President's assent has not been received. There is naturally a lot of apprehension and also a certain amount of agitation in view of the activities of some interested people. I would like to know what the Madras Government have done in the matter in order to secure the assent of the President as early as possible.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I am sorry, there was some delay in sending the Bills as passed by the Legislature to the Government of India due to unavoidable circumstances. We are aware that the assent of the President should be obtained before the 31st of this month, so that the provisions of these Bills will be applicable to the areas which will not form part of the Madras State after 1st November 1956. Therefore. Sir, all steps are being taken to get the assent of the President before this date.

V.—GOVERNMENT BILLS.

(1) THE MADRAS ESTATES (SUPPLEMENTARY) BILL, 1956.

* THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : I beg to introduce the Madras Estates (Supplementary) Bill *, 1956 and move that the Bill be taken into consideration.

Sir, the Madras Estates Land (Reduction of Rent) Act 1947 and the Madras Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Act, 1948, apply only to 'estates' as defined in the Estates Land

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